

Problem 1: Godunov vs. Strang Splitting

$$u_t = (D_1 + D_2) u$$

a) Godunov: $u_t = D_1 u$

$$u_t = D_2 u$$

Real solution: $u(t+h) = e^{(D_1+D_2)h} u(t)$

$$e^{(D_1+D_2)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(D_1+D_2)^n}{n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} D_1^k D_2^{n-k}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} D_1^k D_2^{n-k}$$

If commutative

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{1}{k!} \frac{1}{(n-k)!} D_1^k D_2^{n-k}$$

$$[D_1, D_2] = 0$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{D_1^n}{n!} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{D_2^k}{k!} = e^{D_1} e^{D_2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{u}(t+h) = e^{D_1 h} e^{D_2 h} u$$

$$\hat{u} - u = (e^{hD_1} e^{hD_2} - e^{h(D_1+D_2)}) u_0$$

$$= \left(1 + hD_1 + \frac{h^2}{2} D_1^2 + \dots\right) \left(1 + hD_2 + \frac{h^2}{2} D_2^2 + \dots\right)$$

$$- \left(1 + h(D_1 + D_2) + \frac{h^2}{2} (D_1 + D_2)^2 + \dots\right) u_0$$

$$= \frac{h^2}{2} [D_1, D_2] u_0 + O(h^3)$$

Strang: $\hat{u}(t+h) = e^{\frac{1}{2}hD_1} e^{hD_2} e^{\frac{1}{2}hD_1} u(t)$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{u} - u(h) = h^3 \left(\frac{1}{12} [D_2 [D_2, D_1]] - \frac{1}{24} [D_1, [D_1, D_2]] \right) u_0 + O(h^4)$$

Problem 2: Butcher Tableaux for Runge-Kutta Schemes

a) Euler:
$$\begin{array}{c|c} 0 & \\ \hline & 1 \end{array}$$

midpoint:
$$\begin{array}{c|c} 0 & \\ \hline 1/2 & 1/2 \\ \hline & 0 \quad 1 \end{array}$$

RK4:
$$\begin{array}{c|ccc} 0 & & & \\ 1/2 & 1/2 & & \\ 1/2 & 0 & 1/2 & \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ \hline & 1/6 & 1/3 & 1/3 & 1/6 \end{array}$$

b) RK3:
$$\begin{array}{c|cc} 0 & & \\ 1/2 & 1/2 & \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \\ \hline & 1/6 & 2/3 & 1/6 \end{array}$$

$$\rightarrow y_{n+1} = y_n + h \cdot \left(\frac{1}{6} k_1 + \frac{4}{6} k_2 + \frac{1}{6} k_3 \right)$$

$$k_1 = f(t_n, y_n)$$

$$k_2 = f\left(t_n + \frac{h}{2}, y_n + \frac{h}{2} k_1\right)$$

$$k_3 = f\left(t_n + h, y_n - h k_1 + 2h k_2\right)$$

The idea is to not only include the last time step, but multiple former time steps, to get a much more accurate result.

Problem 2: See Jupyter Notebook